

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)**

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# Philadelphia Presbyterian Church

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Jennifer Rohrbach '23, Clerk's Comm. Chair

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Mary Smith '23, CE&F Chair

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Connie McWilliams, Spiritual Growth, Poinsettias  
Debbie Durden, Spiritual Growth, Advent  
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**MISSION OUTREACH**

Calvary Refuge Center\*  
Child's Fund (PW)\*  
Christmas Joy Offering\*\*\*  
Columbia Friendship Circle (PW)\*\*  
Good Shepherd Clinic\*  
Kinship Care Resource Center\*\*  
Para Cristo Presbyterian\*\*

Mission Haven (PW)\*\*\*  
One Great Hour of Sharing (Easter)\*\*\*  
Presbyterian Homes\*\*\*  
PW Birthday Objective\*\*  
PW Blessing Boxes\*\*  
PW Least Coin\*\*  
PW Presbyterian Mission Pledge\*

Forest Park Ministers Association\*  
Securus House (PW)\*\*\*  
Session & PW Misc. Benevolences\*  
Shared Mission - PC (USA)\*  
Souper Bowl of Caring\*\*  
The Gideons International\*\*  
Thank Offering (PW)\*  
Thornwell\*\*\*

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**SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS: For the benefit of the congregation, please try to give announcements to Cindy before Wednesday. When that doesn't work, please write them down for the Pulpit Assistant or come to a microphone to speak. Your consideration is appreciated.**

*Welcome*

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

351 Morrow Road, Forest Park, Georgia 30297

March 6, 2023

11:00am

**The Service for the Lord's Day  
Second Sunday in Lent**

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Choral Introit "Call to Worship"** *from TWELVE RESPONSES AND SENTENCES*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

We lift up our eyes to the mountains—where does our help come from?

**Our help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.**

The Lord watches over us—the Lord is our shade at our right hand;

**The Lord will keep us from all harm—he will watch over our life;**

The sun will not harm us by day, nor the moon by night.

**The Lord will watch over our coming and going both now and forevermore.**

*From Psalm 121*

Let us worship the Lord.

\* **Opening Hymn** **A Mighty Fortress Is Our God** **No. 151**

**Call to Confession** **Debbie Durden, Liturgist**

We cannot earn God's grace or favor. It comes to us, not as something owed, but as a gift freely given. Confident in God's love for us, even when we are not faithful, let us confess our sin.

**Prayer of Confession**

**Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace. You call us to trust in you completely, but we do not. We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead. We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what you require. We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to be born again into the life of Christ, trusting that you have included us by grace in the family of faith. We pray in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

Friends, God is for us and not against us! God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Believe the good news, in Jesus Christ our sin is forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Call for the Offering**

All that we have is a gift from God. In faith and gratitude, let us return now a portion of what we have so abundantly received.

**Offering**

**"Lamb of God"**

*by Twila Paris*

\* **Doxology**

**No. 815**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.**

**Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**First Reading**

**Ephesians 5:8-14**

**Second Reading**

**John 9:1-41**

**Sermon**

**Blindness**

**Rev. Jeanne Simpson**

**Anthem**

**"Lamb of God/What Wondrous Love"** *by Faure arr. by Kane/Parker*

**The Lord's Supper**

\* **Affirmation of Faith**

**The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\* **Gloria Patri**

**Glory Be to the Father**

**No. 812**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,**

**World without end. Amen, Amen.**

**Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

\* **Benediction Hymn**

**They'll Know We Are Christians**

**No. 429**

\* **Benediction**

\* **Benediction Response (All Sing)**

**God Be With You**

**No. 232**

**God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,**

**With His sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

\*Please stand if you are able

**PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**SUNDAY, March 5, 2023**

**WELCOME!** We are so thankful you chose to worship with us. We hope your worship today will be meaningful. We encourage you to participate in all aspects of our congregational life, and invite you to become part of our Christian family. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join with us.

**MEMBERSHIP** – Please speak with an Elder or the Pastor if you would like to receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior or if you would like to become a member of Philadelphia Presbyterian Church.

**Safety Protocols:**

1. Hand sanitizer is available for use.
2. If you don't feel well, please don't come to church.
3. If you feel more comfortable continuing to wear your mask, please do so.

**THIS WEEK AT PHILADELPHIA**

<b>TODAY</b>	09:30am – Sunday School 11:00am – Communion Service 12:15pm – PWCT 01:00pm – Service available on Facebook 12:15pm – Teacher Appreciation Reception
Thursday	07:00pm – Mary & Martha Circle - virtual
Next Sunday	Daylight Savings time begins

**We are forming the Homecoming Committee for the 2025 bicentennial celebration of our church. We are looking for co-chairs and committee members. Please consider volunteering!**

**CONTINUING COLLECTIONS: 1- Grocery Bags for Morrow Food Pantry  
2- Food items for Babb Project (see Crossroads & bulletin board for details)**

**TO BE REMEMBERED IN PRAYER AND WITH CARDS** (new info in bold)  
*Please notify us concerning new info and updates. Inquiring minds – and prayerful hearts – want to know!*

- 02/19 Becky Huie & her daughter —recovering from strokes
- 01/21 Dan Kadel (Joyce Smith's brother-in-law) – serious condition Lymphoma & liver failure
- 02/26 Cleveland Lamont (Mary's bro-in-law) – tests for medical issues**
- 01/21 Mark McWilliams – (Connie's son) –prostate cancer surgery rescheduled for 03/06**
- 02/26 Don Nelson – recovering from hernia surgery, doing well**
- 01/22 Nancy Phillips –treatments for metastatic cancer
- 02/21 John Randolph—scheduled for bladder biopsy soon**
- 01/25 Barbara Sutton (Joyce's niece) spine cancer, chemo treatment pills now
- 02/07 Vonrita Williams (Mary Smith's friend) – out of coma now and improving**

**OUR HOMEBOUND: Please refer to the Church Directory for contact information**

Nell Cates    Patty Boone    Becky Huie    Ann NeSmith

**Prayer Request: Call 404-366-1851, Email [secyppc@bellsouth.net](mailto:secyppc@bellsouth.net) or call a Session member or Shepherd.**



**The Babb Project:** Each Friday afternoon, the staff at Babb Middle School send home bags of food items with some of the students who are homeless or very low income so that they can eat over the weekend. We have partnered with them to provide some of the needed items for these bags. See the Crossroads or bulletin board for a list of items needed. Monetary gifts are also welcomed. Make you check payable to PPC and mark it for the Babb Project. See Mary Smith if you have questions.  
**Community Outreach**

Don't forget to set your clocks forward 1 hour on Saturday evening. Daylight Savings begins Sunday AM.



